

REMARKS

This Amendment is submitted supplementary to the previous Amendment and in connection with the personal conference with the Examiner in the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

During the conference the Examiner indicated that Claims 1 and 17 should be clarified further, and also confirmed that the present invention contains an allowable subject matter.

In connection with this, Claims 1 and 17 have been amended as agreed with the Examiner.

The Examiners highly beneficial cooperation during the personal conference has been gratefully acknowledged.

Reconsideration and allowance of the present application is most respectfully requested.

Should the Examiner require or consider it advisable that the specification, claims and/or drawings be further amended or corrected in formal respects in order to place this case in condition for final allowance, then it is respectfully requested that such amendments or corrections be

carried out by Examiner's Amendment, and the case be passed to issue. Alternatively, should the Examiner feel that a personal discussion might be helpful in advancing this case to allowance; he is invited to telephone the undersigned (at 631-549-4700).

Respectfully submitted,

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